

WHAT IS CLAIMED AS THE INVENTION IS:

1. A cannonball for use in association with downriggers comprising a generally egg shaped body having a front, a back, a center line, a top portion and a bottom portion wherein the slopes of the top portion from the center line to the front and back are greater than the slope of the bottom portion from the center line to the front and the back.  
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2. A cannonball as claimed in claim 1 wherein the slope of the top portion from the center line to the back is greater than the center line to the front and the slope of the bottom portion from the center line to the back is greater than the center line to the front.  
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3. A cannonball as claimed in claim 2 wherein the body has an outer surface that is a faceted surface.  
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4. A cannonball as claimed in claim 3 wherein the faceted surface includes a plurality of facets with each facet being concave.  
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5. A cannonball as claimed in claim 4 wherein each facet is asymmetrical.
6. A cannonball as claimed in claim 5 further including a mouth at the front of the body.

7. A cannonball as claimed in claim 6 wherein the mouth has a plurality of teeth.

8. A cannonball as claimed in claim 7 wherein the mouth has 36 teeth, 20 being  
5 in the top portion of the mouth and 16 being on the bottom.

9. A cannonball as claimed in claim 8 further including a tail.

10. A cannonball as claimed in claim 9 wherein the tail is one of 12 gauge  
10 stainless steel and 12 gauge brass.

11. A cannonball as claimed in claim 9 wherein the tail has a back edge and  
measures 10.3cm along the back edge.

15 12. A cannonball as claimed in claim 11 wherein the tail protrudes generally 7.2  
cm from a top-rear portion of the body and generally 9 cm from a bottom-rear  
portion of the body.

20 13. A cannonball as claimed in claim 12 wherein the tail has a top corner and  
edges and the tail has a 3/8" hole in the top corner between 0.4cm and 0.5cm  
from the edges of the tail.

14. A cannonball as claimed in claim 1 wherein the cannonball is between 8

and 15 pounds in weight.

15. A cannonball as claimed in claim 13 wherein a hook extends outwardly from the top of the body.

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16. A cannonball as claimed in claim 13 further including a lead core.

17. A cannonball as claimed in claim 16 wherein the lead core is generally rectangular in shape.

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18. A cannonball as claimed in claim 16 wherein a hook extends outwardly from the core and outwardly from the body.

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19. A cannonball as claimed in claim 16 wherein the core is wrapped with aluminium.

20. A cannonball for use in association with downriggers comprising a body with a lead core therein.

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21. A cannonball as claimed in claim 20 wherein the lead core is generally rectangular in shape.

22. A cannonball as claimed in claim 20 wherein a hook extends outwardly from

the core and outwardly from the body.

23. A cannonball as claimed in claim 20 wherein the core is wrapped with aluminium.

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24. A cannonball as claimed in claim 20 wherein the lead portion of the body measures 22.75cm x 8.75cm x 4.5cm.

10 25. A cannonball as claimed in claim 24 further including a hook wire and steel tail and the entire body measures 26.4cm x 10.cm x 4.5cm.

26. A cannonball as claimed in claim 11 wherein the tail protrudes 9.2cm from a top-rear portion of the body and 9cm from a bottom-rear portion of the body.

15 27. A method of manufacturing cannonball for use in association with

downriggers comprising the steps of

providing a cannonball mold having a top and a bottom;

pouring molten lead into the cannonball mold;

electroplating chrome onto the surface of the lead.

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28. A method as claimed in claim 27 further including the step of forming a lead core and suspending it in the mold prior to pouring the molten lead and wherein the lead core is generally rectangular.

29. A method as claimed in claim 28 wherein a hook extends outwardly from the core and outwardly from the mold.

30. A method as claimed in claim 28 wherein the core is wrapped with  
5 aluminium.